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SUBJECT: REVISION OF PARSKY TRAVEL PLANS

REF: (A) STATE 266000 (B) JIDDA 7571 (C) USREP 249

1. IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY AND USREP ADVICE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY PARSKY IS REVISING HIS TRAVEL PLANS TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF INFORMATION REGARDING MINISTER ABA AL-KHAIL'S SCHEDULE.

2. PARTY COMPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS: ASSISTANT SECRETARY PARSKY; ROBIN CLEARY, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO MR. PARSKY; HUGH MCFADDEN, DIRECTOR OF THE TREASURY'S OFFICE OF SAUDI ARABIAN AFFAIRS; JERRY NEWMAN, TREASURY'S DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MIDDLE EAST AFFAIRS; EUGENE LAWSON, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF SPECIAL BILATERAL AFFAIRS, STATE DEPARTMENT; HENRY HAPPEL, TREASURY ATTORNEY; AND J. P. SMITH, TREASURY OFFICER.

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3. PARSKY PARTY WITH EXCEPTION OF MCFADDEN NOW INTENDS TO

ARRIVE IN RIYADH AT 8:05 PM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH, ON SV 762. PARTY WITH EXCEPTION OF MCFADDEN PRESENTLY PLANS TO DEPART RIYADH AT 8:00 PM ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, ON SV 105 ARRIVING JIDDA 9:20 PM. WILL LEAVE JIDDA 9:35 AM ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24 ON AF 125 FOR ATHENS. MCFADDEN

TO ARRIVE RIYADH NOVEMBER 18; AT 10:35 PM ON SV 794 AND WILL DEPART RIYADH MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24 VIA SV 791.

4. THE FOLLOWING ACTION REQUESTED OF USREP AND EMBASSY: EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO SECURE FIVE SINGLE ROOMS AND ONE SUITE FOR PARSKY PARTY IN JIDDA FOR NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 23. REQUEST USREP TO SECURE FIVE SINGLE ROOMS AND ONE SUITE IN RIYADH FOR NIGHTS OF NOVEMBER 20, 21, AND 22 AND SINGLE FOR MCFADDEN NIGHTS OF NOVEMBER 18 THROUGH NOVEMBER 23. USREP ALSO REQUESTED TO ENDEAVOR TO ARRANGE FOR PARSKY PARTY WITH EXCEPTION OF MCFADDEN TO FLY TO TEHRAN, IRAN, LEAVING RIYADH MONDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 24. WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO ARRANGE A DEPARTURE FROM RIYADH MONDAY MORNING WHICH WOULD ARRIVE IN TEHRAN MONDAY EVENING AND HOPE THAT YOU MIGHT BE MORE SUCCESSFUL ON YOUR END. IF THIS FLIGHT CAN BE ARRANGED PLEASE SECURE ACCOMMODATIONS IN RIYADH RATHER THAN JIDDA FOR NIGHT OF SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23.

5. IF ACCOMMODATIONS CAN BE SECURED MCFADDEN PLANS TO ADVANCE PARTY BY TWO DAYS AND ARRIVE RIYADH ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 AS INDICATED ABOVE. WE BELIEVE THIS ADVANCE WILL BE USEFUL TO ASSURE THAT INPUTS TO TRIP FROM WASHINGTON AND USREP ARE COORDINATED.

6. DUE TO SCHEDULING CHANGE, USREP REQUESTED SET UP DINNER TO BE HOSTED BY PARSKY FOR MINISTER ABA AL-KHAIL AND OTHER SAUDI OFFICIALS FOR SATURDAY NIGHT.

7. GIVEN DIFFICULTY IF NOT IMPOSSIBILITY OF USREP RECEIVING TELEX ON FRIDAY, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO ASSURE THAT SUBSTANCE OF THIS MESSAGE IS PASSED TO USREP. KISSINGER

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